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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mads Liendgaard Vigh et al.

Serial No.: 09/255,655

Filed: February 23, 1999

For: USE OF D-TAGATOSE AS A
PREBIOTIC FOOD
COMPONENT

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) Examiner: H. Owens, Jr.
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of May 22, 2000. A Notice of Appeal was filed on October 23, 2000. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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